

Claims

Claim 2, 3 and 4: (Cancelled)

Claims 1 and 5-8 (Previously Withdrawn)

Please replace claims 2-4 with claims 9-12 as follows:

Claim 9 (new): A shelf assembly for a workbench consisting of two or more load bearing supports, each of said supports formed by bolting one or more horizontal members to one vertical member forming one or more right angled assemblies, each of said supports when spaced a distance apart from each other, accepts dry dimensional lumber fastened to the said horizontal member through pre-drilled holes in the upper surface of the said horizontal member.

Claim 10 (new): A shelf assembly as set forth in claim 1, wherein the said horizontal member of the said structural load bearing support, is sized in length, front to back, equal to the product of the width of said dry dimensional lumber, i.e., 2 inch by 4 inch lumber pieces, abbreviated as 2X4's, 2 inch by 6 inch pieces, abbreviated as 2X6's, etc., multiplied by an integer number of a specified lumber piece type, plus some manufacturing tolerance.

Claim 11 (new): A shelf assembly as set forth in claim 2 wherein the said horizontal member contains a symmetrical set of holes about its lengthwise centerline, thereby providing a mating structure for said dry dimensional lumber spanning in a left or right direction perpendicular to the said lengthwise centerline of the horizontal member.

Claim 12 (new): A shelf assembly for a workbench consisting of two or more load bearing supports, each of said supports formed by bolting one or more horizontal members to one vertical member forming one or more right angled assemblies wherein the said vertical member contains one or more installed spacers and one or more installed shoulder rivets that permit the mating of the said vertical member to an additional vertical member by inserting the said shoulder rivets into teardrop shaped slots in the said additional vertical member and resulting in a mate-offset condition between the adjoining mating surfaces, the gap of which is equal to the width of the said spacer.